

- WHEREAS,** there are more than 106,000 licensed nurse practitioners in the United States, with 409 in Nevada, providing high-quality, cost-effective healthcare for the past four decades; and
- WHEREAS,** nurse practitioners are registered nurses, with advanced education and advanced clinical training, most with master's or post-master's degrees; and
- WHEREAS,** nurse practitioners diagnose acute and chronic conditions, prescribe medications, treat illnesses and counsel patients on healthcare issues; and
- WHEREAS,** the excellence, safety, and cost-effectiveness of the care provided by nurse practitioners has been established; and
- WHEREAS,** nurse practitioners provide healthcare to people of all ages and in diverse healthcare settings such as private office practice, hospitals, long-term care facilities, schools, state and local health departments, and managed care facilities; and
- WHEREAS,** more than 20% of nurse practitioners practice in rural settings with populations of less than 25,000 and of the 62% who work in cities with populations of more than 50,000, more than 39% work in inner-city areas ; and
- WHEREAS,** it is documented that patients of nurse practitioners are given more personal time and attention than they traditionally receive from other healthcare providers.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Robert A. Cashell, Sr., Mayor of the City of Reno, Nevada, do hereby proclaim the week of

November 6 – 12, 2005,
as
NATIONAL NURSE P
RACTITIONER WEEK

In and for the City of Reno, Nevada, and I urge all citizens to recognize and appreciate the many contributions that this dedicated group of healthcare professionals make

to the health and well-being of the people they serve throughout the country.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set
my hand and caused the Seal of the City
of Reno, Nevada to be affixed this
second day of November 2005.

Robert A. Cashell, Sr., Mayor
City of Reno

ATTEST: Lynnette Jones, City Clerk
City of Reno